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Confirmations by the Senate—The Badger Business—Arrivals.
Special Dispatch to The N. Y. Tribune
WASHINGTON, Thursday, Jan. 30, 1884.
Mr. Badger's nomination was debated to-day
in Executive Session, and his fate will be settled on
Monday next.
Ephraim K. Miller, son of the late General Miller,
was nominated to-day for Collector at Salem, Mass., an
office held by his father for many years. Dr. Thomas
M. Foote was confirmed to-day as Charge to Vienna,
vice Mr. McCurdy recalled at his own request. Thomas
Trenau was also confirmed as Consul at Valencia.
The Senate also confirmed the promotions of Cramer,
Foot, and several other Lieutenants, to be commanders
in the Navy.

Senators Dawson and Fitzpatrick both reached Washington to-day in the same train, each thinking to head off the other. The Secret Session was dissolved in order to swear in Fitzpatrick, and while the other was administering Dawson slipped into his seat. This leaves Budger in precisely the same position as before.

A spicy scene occurred to-day between Clark, of R. I., and Weller. Badger is on the anxious seat and is becoming very modest, being very little in the Senate. That body is nearly badgered to death.

Among the arrivals to-day are Hon. J. S. McDonald, Speaker of the Canadian Parliament, Hon. George Ashmun, Hon. George Bancroft, and J. C. B. Davis, late Secretary of Legation at London.

Hon. C. J. McCurdy, late Charge to Vienna, was on the floor of the Senate to day. Erg.

Louisiana Senators—The Cabinet, &c.
Special Dispatch to The N. Y. Tribune.
WASHINGTON, Thursday, Jan. 20, 1852.

The seat of Mr. Benjamin, U. S. Senator from Louisiana, elected by the Whigs in place of Downs, may be contested. The new Constitution of that State requires all officers to be elected under. The present Legislature, being largely Loco-Foco, may elect two of their own stripe to the U. S. Senate.

and that body will have the question to decide between the present incumbents and the new ones, if elected Mr. Benjamin was born on the island of St. Thomas, and is charged with not having been naturalized. This raises a very curious question.

A late letter from Concord, from a high source, states that nothing has yet been done in relation to the new Cabinet. Clemens will vote for Badger, together with Rusk, Sebastian, Stockton and Walker. Gen. Cass is

very sore at not having been consulted about the new Cabinet by Pierce's forerunners—Atherton, Silsbee, Webster, Woodbury and Lally. He is trying to embarrass Pierce's foreign relations. Clemens is disinclined to enter the new Cabinet. He could if he would, and in a certain contingency may be induced to do so.

cept. Pierce himself still wants Dix—the fire eaters being now secured. Madame Bodisco will visit St. Petersburg in the Spring, taking with her two sons who will occupy positions under the Imperial Government. Bodisco with the other children will remain here. Omsk.

From Washington.
WASHINGTON, Thursday, Jan. 20, 1853.
The Senate devoted another hour to-day in secret session, to the nomination of Mr. Badger. Mr. Fitzpatrick, the newly-elected Senator

from Alabama, arrived in the Southern boat this afternoon, and was immediately sent for. He reached the Senate while the Badger case was up—was sworn in and took his seat; but as Mr. Dawson, of Georgia, arrived with him, it did not change the state of the vote, and the nomination was laid over.

Washington Irving was in the Senate Cham-

The House got up the business on the Speaker's table for the first time to-day, and a strong effort was made to reach the French Spoilation bill, but the Speaker's decision that under the rules it belongs to the ninth clause of business, which was sustained by the House,

The Houston Investigation Committee are requiring information on various charges of corruption in the direction of the Capitol Extension. Rather startling disclosures are anticipated.

Joseph R. Pomeroy, late Third Assistant Engineer in the Navy, died at the Navy Yard on Tuesday.

Pilgrims at the Political Meece.
CONCORD, Thursday, Jan. 20.—P. M.
Lieutenant-Governor Sandford E. Church,
C. C. W. Wright, Peter Caggar, and Benjamin Welsh,
Sr., arrived from Albany this afternoon, and dined at the
Cape Hotel. They called on the Rev. Mr. May.

The cars are just in, but the Dickinson Committee has not yet seen it, even switched off in Peter's room.

General Pierce is at home.
The weather is very moderate, considering the times and season.

Rhode Island U. S. Senator.

PROVIDENCE, Thursday, Jan. 29, 1851.
The House of Representatives, after a severe struggle, voted to unite with the Senate to join in Grand Committee to-morrow, at 11 o'clock, to elect a U. S. Senator. The Senate, however, had adjourned before the vote passed the House.

New-York State Temperance Alliance.
ALBANY, Thursday, Jan. 30, 1853.
This Society convened at the State-st. Baptist Church, this morning, at 10 o'clock.
In calling the meeting to order the President, R. N. Javens, Esq., of New-York, said:
The appearance of our meeting as contrasted with the

crowds which have assembled in this city for the last two days, might indicate to a stranger a want of interest or sympathy among Temperance men with the Alliance movement. But it should be borne in mind that the Alliance is but a delegated body, looking for its efficiency not to the numbers of individuals assembled at its meetings, but at the members of associations, represented on its executive committee.

At the time of its organization, the friends of the cause felt the want of some common head—some point to which all could look for the lead to our movement, and the origination of measures. For evident reasons, the various orders of temperance—such as the Sons, Rechabites, &c.—had not assumed this position; and the State

The result of our labors for the year is not such as we could have desired. The President elected last January (Hon. Bradford R. Wood, of Albany,) had been compelled, from imperative personal circumstances, to de-

Since that time, and especially just previous to the election, we had sedulously endeavored to bring into

What we now chiefly need for success is political wis-

ism. We are politicians; not in the mean, contracted, partisan sense of the term, as used in the ordinary conversation for place and plunder; but in the higher, the nobler, the only true sense, of seeking, through the machinery of government, the enactment of laws in the highest degree wise and beneficial. We are politicians; not in the grog-shop slang, but according to the legit-

In the prosecution of our work, therefore, let us not arrogate from our own self-respect and dignity by expounding or disavowing our true character. Let

The Counties were called in order for Delegates, and was found that a large number of Counties were unrepresented, and there were several contested seats from

New-York City; one set of Delegates having been appointed by the New-York City Alliance, and another by one of the Vice-Presidents of the State Alliance, Mr. Western. An animated discussion arose as to who were entitled to the seats as Delegates. It seems that by the Constitution of the State Alliance, the Vice-Presidents of that Institution are empowered to appoint Delegates in

counties where County Alliances fail to do so, and in counties where there are no Alliances. In this case the City Alliance had appointed Delegates, but had never acknowledged itself an auxiliary or subordinate to the State Alliance—a condition in compliance with which no Delegates are received by the State Alliance. This question was finally decided by a large majority in favor

the Delegates appointed by Mr. Western.
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